Docket No. TEX4542 P0403US (WP 1642)

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In Re Application Of:

(a) Carboxylic Acid Derivatives That
(b) Inhibit the Binding of Integrins to
(c) Their Receptors
(d) Their Receptors
(e) Serial No.: 09/973,142
(f) Examiner: Binta M. Robinson

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents BOX NON-FEE Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Examiner in the Office Action dated April 15, 2002 required that Applicants elect a single disclosed species.

Pursuant to this requirement, Applicants elect the species of claim 26, (3S)-3-[({[1-(2-chlorobenzyl)-4-hydroxy-5-methyl-2-oxo-1,2-dihydropyridin-3-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]-3-(4-methylphenyl)propanoic acid, with traverse, for prosecution in the present application. Claims 1-19, 25, 26, 30 and 31 are readable thereon.

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Applicants submit that examination of these claims is appropriate and proper and would not unreasonably burden the Examiner.

Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1-19, 25, 26, 30 and 31 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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